

Assembly Bill No. 2621

CHAPTER 474

An act to add Section 1596.819 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to child day care.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2621, Garcia. Child day care facilities: licensing information.

Under the California Child Day Care Facilities Act, the State Department of Social Services licenses and regulates child day care facilities. Existing law requires the department, when it conducts a site visit of a licensed child day care facility, to publicly post at the facility a notice that indicates whether the facility was cited for violating any state standards or regulations. Existing law also requires each licensed child day care facility to make accessible to the public a copy of any licensing report or other public licensing document that documents a facility visit, a substantiated complaint investigation, a conference with a local licensing agency management representative and the licensee in which issues of noncompliance are discussed, or a copy of an accusation indicating the department's intent to revoke the facility's license.

This bill would require the department to post licensing information on its Internet Web site for child day care facilities, including, among other things, the number of citations, substantiated and inconclusive complaint inspections, and noncomplaint inspections during the preceding 5-year period. The bill would require the department to update this information on at least a monthly basis.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1596.819 is added to the Health and Safety Code, to read:

1596.819. (a) Except as otherwise prohibited by law, the department shall post licensing information on its Internet Web site as follows:

(1) For each child day care facility as defined in Section 1596.750, except family day care homes, the information shall include, but is not limited to, the name and address of the facility, the licensed capacity of the facility, the status of the license, and the number of site visits, including the number of citations, substantiated and inconclusive complaint inspections, and noncomplaint inspections during the preceding five-year period.

(2) For each family day care home, the information shall include, but is not limited to, the name of the home, the status of the license, and the number of site visits, including the number of citations, substantiated and inconclusive complaint inspections, and noncomplaint inspections during the preceding five-year period.

(b) The department shall update the information posted under subdivision (a) on at least a monthly basis.